

PEARSON, MJ.

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION

LISA BRIDGE,)	
Plaintiff,)	CASE NO. 1:07CV2739
)	
v.)	JUDGE DAVID D. DOWD, JR.
)	
OCWEN FEDERAL BANK FSB, et al.,)	MAGISTRATE JUDGE PEARSON
Defendant.)	
)	<u>REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION</u>

On September 17, 2008, District Court Judge Dowd referred this matter to the undersigned Magistrate Judge to conduct a settlement conference. *See* [ECF No. 66](#). At the time of referral, Plaintiff's Motion to Dismiss Claims Against Defendant Aames Capital Corporation and William Bridge's Motion to Intervene were pending. *See* [ECF Nos. 64](#) and [65](#). Despite diligent efforts expended by the parties over the time that has elapsed since the referral and the indulgence of Judge Dowd, the matter has not been settled.

The undersigned, therefore, recommends termination of the referral. The parties have recently indicated an intention to seek leave of the District Court to withdraw the pending motions and oppositions with the intention of refiling more compelling ones. This report should serve as notice to counsel to direct any such motions for leave to the attention of Judge Dowd rather than the undersigned. Given the amount of time that has elapsed since the referral and recognizing the importance of the timely resolution of pending motions, this report also

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recommends that the parties be ordered to file any such motions for leave within 10 days of the filing of this report.

OBJECTIONS

Objections to this Report and Recommendation must be filed with the Clerk of Courts within ten (10) days of receipt of this notice. Failure to file objections within the specified time waives the right to appeal the District Court's order. See [*United States v. Walters*, 638 F.2d 947 \(6th Cir. 1981\)](#). See also, [*Thomas v. Arn*, 474 U.S. 140 \(1985\), reh'g denied, 474 U.S. 1111 \(1986\)](#).

February 13, 2009
Date

/s/ Benita Y. Pearson
Benita Y. Pearson.
United States Magistrate Judge